

DETAILED OFFICE ACTION

Applicants' amendment filed on 16 April 2008 is acknowledged and entered. Claims 2-4 and 6 are cancelled. Claim 1 is amended.

The Information Disclosure Statement, sent 28 September 2007, is being considered again and returned to the applicants to correct an error by the examiner, in which a reference was incorrectly lined through.

Currently, claims 1 and 5 are under consideration.

Withdrawal of Objections and Rejections:

The rejections of claims 1 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of Enablement and under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of Written Description are withdrawn based on cancellation of claims and claim amendments.

Examiner's amendments:

- 1) In the title, please remove the phrase "prevention and".
- 2) Approval for this Examiner's amendment was given by Ryan Chirnomas on 3 June 2008:

In Claim 1, after the acronym "PAR-2" please insert the following:
"(Protease-activated receptor-2)"

Conclusion:

Claims 1 and 5 are allowed.

Advisory information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sandra Wegert whose telephone number is (571) 272-0895. The examiner can normally be reached Monday - Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Eastern Time). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Manjunath Rao, can be reached at (571) 272-0939.

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